

## Action by Missouri Clean Water Commission

Date of Action: September 7, 2005

Water Body:

Name: Perche Creek  
Classification: C  
Identification #: 1023  
Length of Segment: 21.0 miles  
County (ies): Boone & Randolph

Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) Finding(s):

A whole body contact (WBC) recreation Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) was submitted by department staff on July 8, 2005. The UAA was submitted to evaluate Criterion #2 Natural, Ephemeral, Intermittent or Low-Flow Condition.

Review Committee Recommendation (RCR):

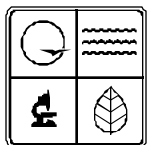
**Committee Recommendation:** ☐ Retain Use ☒ Modify Use ☐ Remove Use ☐ Inconclusive  
Information provided in the UAA led the UAA Review Committee to make a recommendation of "Modify Use." Specifically, they recommended splitting the segment into two subsegments. They recommended "Remove Use" for the upper portion due to reported lack of depth to support WBC recreation, although recommended it be considered for a designation of Secondary Contact Recreation use in the future due to reported fishing and trapping. The review committee recommended "Retain Use" for the lower portion of the segment where reported increases in depth could support a WBC recreation use.

Summary of Comment(s):

(1) Missouri Department of Conservation staff observed the public swimming in this creek. (2) Newscast photographer reported that he wades in streams during video taping. "So, we are there and we are wading. And I for one would hate to be doing it with more pollution in the water." (3) The Nature Conservancy (TNC) reviewed all streams with a "modify use" or "remove use" recommendation. Forty-one stream sites identified for changes fall on or near streams having documented global significance of exemplary or unique ecological or biotic features. We recommend that these streams be designated for WBC recreation because of natural diversity and recreational value as part of the tourism industry. (4) UAA 0211: The UAA was done at an unlikely time for WBC recreation. Evidence of ATV tracks and a nearby conservation area were ignored. The RCR refers to interviews not mentioned in UAA. Decision to remove WBC recreation above site 004 was arbitrary. No water quality sampling was conducted. A study of at least one year is necessary. (5) One site surveyed on wrong creek. Therefore, only 5 sites for 21 miles of stream. No interviews were conducted. Change the recommendation above site 004 to "Inconclusive".

Commission Action on Comment(s):

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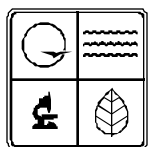
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Because of comments received, the commission voted to retain the use designation of WBC recreation for Perche Creek from Section 05, Township 49 North, Range 13 West (05,49N,13W) in Boone County upstream to Section 19, Township 52 North, Range 13 West (19,52N,13W) in Randolph County. The commission directed further investigation to determine specific locations and extent of recreational activities.

#### **Final Order of Rulemaking:**

The use designation of whole body contact recreation will be retained on Perche Creek from 05,49N,13W in Boone County upstream to 19,52N,13W in Randolph County (21.0 miles).



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